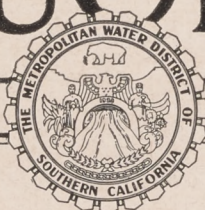


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House Group Shelves Arizona Project Bill

Arizona's plan to use part of California's Colorado River water supply to irrigate farm lands at the expense of the nation's taxpayers, was this month defeated, at least temporarily, when the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee on October 10 voted 17 to 8 to postpone further hearings on the Central Arizona Project bill until sometime after February 1.

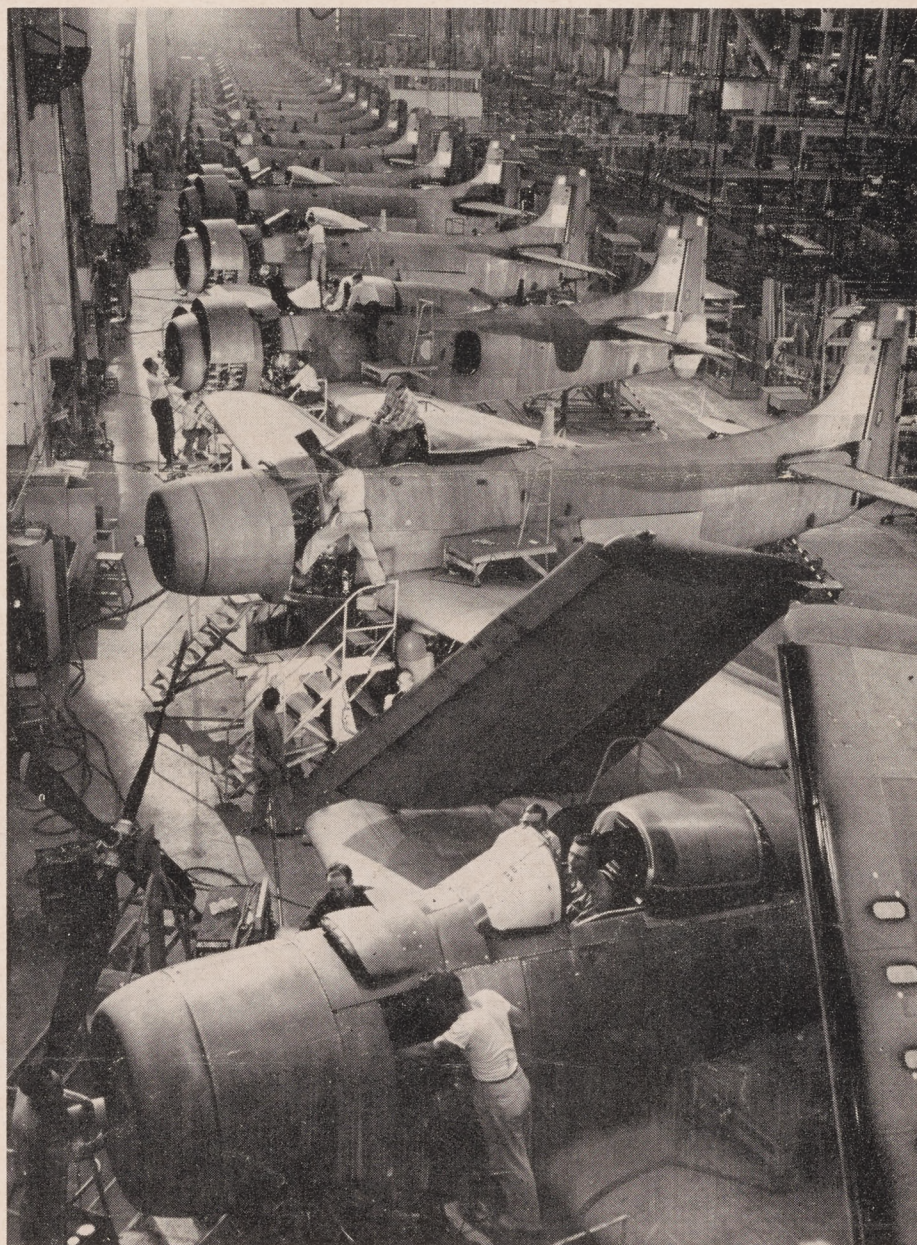
The bill had previously received Senate approval.

The postponement came when the House Committee formally approved a motion made by Representative Fred G. Aandahl (R) of North Dakota which stated: "I move to defer action on S.75 until February 1, 1952, or sometime thereafter, to give proponents an opportunity to have decided the justiciable issue before the courts, or draft new legislation that will create a justiciable issue without authorizing a project of undetermined feasibility."

In addition to Representative Aandahl, those voting for postponing action on the bill were Walter S. Baring (D) Nevada; Frank T. Bow (R) Ohio; Hamer Budge (R) Idaho; Fred Crawford (R) Michigan; Wesley A. Dewart (R) Montana; Clair Engle (D) California; William H. Harrison (R) Wyoming; Edward H. Jenison (R) Illinois; Chester B. McMullen (D) Fla.; A. L. Miller (R) Nebraska; Norris Poulson (R) California; Ken Regan (D) Texas; John P. Saylor (R) Pennsylvania; Dean P. Taylor (R) New York; J. Ernest Wharton (R) New York; and Samuel W. Yorty (D) California.

Voting against the motion to set the bill aside were Wayne N. Aspinall (D) Colorado; Reva Beck Bosone (D) Utah; James G. Donovan (D) New

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With the speed up in the nation's defense effort, Colorado River water continues to play an important role in Southern California industry. Here sleek war planes for the Navy are shown being assembled in the Douglas Aircraft plant at El Segundo, one of the 44 cities in the District. In addition to war planes, Douglas produces DC-6 freight and passenger planes at its Santa Monica plant. This plant is 100% dependent on Colorado River water and uses more than 37,500,000 gallons per month in its operation.

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District Doubles Size In Five-Year Period

Postwar expansion of the area in Southern California served from the Colorado River aqueduct is the greatest in the history of the Metropolitan Water District, it was reported this month by Joseph Jensen, chairman of the District's Board of Directors.

During the five-year period from 1946 to 1951, both the assessed valuation and the number of square miles included in the water district have more than doubled, Mr. Jensen said.

"Assessed valuation of the district now stands at \$5,015,552,000 and its area is 1,512 square miles. In 1946 the assessed valuation figure was \$2,413,186,000 and the district area embraced 629 square miles," according to Mr. Jensen.

He said an estimated 3,721,000 persons now live within the district boundaries, a gain of 1,205,000 over the 1946 population of 2,515,000. The population is distributed over 44 incorporated cities and numerous unincorporated areas.

Mr. Jensen attributed drought conditions prevalent throughout Southern California over the past seven years, plus the "mushrooming growth" of population and industry as the two principal factors responsible for this area's increased dependence upon the Colorado River water supply.

Mr. Jensen noted that Southern California cities are continuing to tie in with the Colorado River water supply, despite the threat to that supply posed by Arizona's attempts to secure Congressional approval of an irrigation project that would reduce California's share of water.

"I believe these annexations reflect two factors," Chairman Jensen declared. "First, absolute necessity, because there is no other water supply to



FLOYD E. FISCHER

Floyd E. Fischer has recently been appointed to the District's Board of Directors representing the city of Beverly Hills.

San Diego 2nd Barrel Project Wins Approval

Construction of the San Diego-Colorado River Aqueduct second barrel was assured this month when President Truman, on October 12, signed legislation authorizing the \$18,000,000 project.

According to present plans the Metropolitan Water District and the San Diego County Water Authority will share in the designing and engineering costs of the project, while actual construction work will be under the supervision of the Navy.

San Diego County Water Authority officials expect that a special election will be called soon, at which time residents living in the area served by the Authority will be asked to approve a construction contract between the Navy and the Water Authority.

San Diego civic leaders emphasized that the new barrel not only will supply enough Colorado River water to meet the increasing demands of the growing San Diego area, but will assure an adequate water supply for the city's important military installations and defense plants.

which we can turn to meet our needs, and second, our confidence that California's position is just and that we will win out over the Arizona interests that are backing what is known as the nation's most fantastic project."

For the RECORD

(The following items are noted from the report of General Manager and Chief Engineer Julian Hinds, filed October 1951, covering District operations for September 1951.)

Annexation Proceedings — The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors set December 18 as the date for an election by the voters of the Altadena-La Crescenta area to decide on the formation of a Foothill Municipal Water District.

Hoover Dam — The District power system was in parallel with the Southern California Edison Company except for a 2-hour outage on September 15. Energy delivered to the Edison system totaled 24,372,431 kwhr and the peak delivery was 110,000 kw. The water level in Lake Mead dropped 3.25 feet to elevation 1163.75 feet on September 30, a loss of 400,000 acre-feet in storage and reducing available storage to 19,118,000 acre-feet. The discharge at Hoover Dam in September averaged 14,100 cfs compared with 15,000 in August.

Parker Dam — The Lake Havasu water level varied from a high at elevation 448.5 feet on September 1 to a low elevation 447.0 at the end of the month. Discharge of the Colorado at Parker Dam averaged 12,000 cfs compared with 15,000 in August. Peak power delivery to the Parker system was 76,000 kw.

Pumping — Two pump units per plant were operated throughout the month with a two unit flow at Hayfield except for a short outage.

Distribution — Delivery of Colorado River water to the San Diego aqueduct was continued throughout September at an average rate of 106.1 cfs. At Lake Mathews the water level on September 30 was at elevation 1347.70 feet representing an available storage of 85,800 acre-feet, an increase for the month of 492 acre-feet. At the Weymouth Softening and Filtration Plant, Colorado River water was softened from an average hardness of 309 ppm to 124 ppm at an average rate of 197.7 cfs. The rate of inflow varied from a minimum of 139.8 cfs to a maximum of 243.5 cfs, or 157 million gallons per day. Delivery of Colorado River water in September averaged 367.7 cfs, a 59 per cent increase over September 1950.

Purchasing — During September the purchasing division issued 254 purchase agreements totaling approximately \$31,700.



Work got under way this month on the District's new Eagle Rock connection and lateral which will provide additional Colorado River water to the Los Angeles distribution system. Above, two dragline machines scoop out bed for 84 inch pipeline. Connection will have capacity of approximately 200,000,000 gallons of water per day.

Nine More Cities Vote Annexation To District

On October 16 residents living in the Orange County Municipal Water District, out of a total of 8,377 votes cast, approved the area's annexation to the Metropolitan Water District by 8,057 Yes against 320 No, or by a majority of 25 to 1 in favor of annexation.

Incorporated cities in the Orange County Municipal Water District include Orange, Tustin, La Habra, Placentia, Huntington Beach and Seal Beach. The District has an assessed valuation of approximately \$220,000,000 and covers an area of about 200,000 acres.

In the Chino Basin Municipal Water District on the same day in October, voters supported annexation to the MWD by 6,615 in favor to 591 opposed, or by a majority of 11 to 1. Cities in this annexing area include Chino, Upland, and Ontario, and the unincorporated community of Fontana.

This district has an assessed valuation of approximately \$60,000,000 with a total population of about 70,000 persons.

Annexations of the west San Bernardino County and Orange County dis-

Junior Chambers Oppose Central Arizona Project

California Junior Chambers of Commerce have actively joined the fight to defeat the proposed Central Arizona Project.

Following the adoption last month at their State quarterly board meeting of a resolution opposing the Arizona Irrigation scheme, the Glendale Junior Chamber this month authorized President John Edwards to send a letter to the presidents of Junior Chambers of Commerce in all principal cities in the country. The letter calls attention to the fact that taxpayers throughout the nation will be called upon to pay their proportionate share of the multimillion dollar Arizona Project in the event it wins congressional approval.

Paul Hansen, Chairman of the State Junior Chamber of Commerce Public Affairs Committee, in a letter to the presidents of all state Junior Chambers of Commerce, urged them to initiate action in their communities aimed at defeating the fantastic Arizona Project.

tricts brought nine more incorporated cities into the Metropolitan Water District and brought the total number within the boundaries of the District to 44.

Red Feather Drive Deserves Full Support

October is Community Chest month and the united Red Feather campaign is in full swing.

But this year there's a difference. There is "a double need — a double gift is needed." Symbol of many health, recreation, and welfare services that combine their annual appeals once a year in a local Community Chest campaign, the RED FEATHER this year has an added assignment — USO and the other United Defense Fund agencies.

Mobilization for the defense of our democracy demands efficiency, economy and wise planning in health and welfare services just as it does in industry. The United Defense Fund answers that demand, for it finances the combined strength and know-how of national health, recreation and welfare agencies working together to meet the human problems growing out of the national emergency.

When you contribute to your Community Chest remember the campaign slogan "A Double Need — A Double Gift."

M.W.D. employees have a proud record of Community Chest support.

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York; Sidney Fine (D) New York; Toby Morris (D) Oklahoma; Harry P. O'Neill (D) Pennsylvania; Monroe M. Redden (D) North Carolina and John R. Murdock (D) Arizona.

Leading California's successful fight to block action on the Arizona sponsored legislation were California's members on the Committee, Norris Poulson, Clair Engle and Samuel W. Yorty.

In the face of mounting opposition throughout the nation to the proposed \$788,000,000 Central Arizona Project, and despite the decisive House vote, Arizona water leaders indicated that they would continue to press for approval of the project during the next session of Congress.

California's water officials have consistently warned that, in addition to diverting part of California's Colorado River water supply, the fantastic Central Arizona Project would cost the nation's taxpayers the staggering sum of more than \$2,000,000,000 in interest charges alone.

NEWS FROM FIELD AND OFFICE

Gene Camp is mighty proud of Billy Ray Price, 18 year old son of Chef Roy Price, and David Gabele, 21, son of System Operator Dan Gabele. Billy is in the Navy stationed at San Diego, and David is in an Army camp in Virginia.

The boys and girls out at Iron Mountain are still talking about the Halloween party given by Mrs. Gainor Hoover. A dozen children attended the party and they all had a wonderful time bobbing for apples and enjoying the refreshments.

John Anderson, Engineer, passed out cigars to the men recently in honor of the arrival of his new baby boy, Philip Lee, 8 pounds, 1 ounce. In his excitement he rashly promised the girls candy and this is to remind him that they are still waiting.

FLASH — Andy produced the 2 pound box of candy.

Congratulations to Mrs. Harold Taylor formerly Pauline Hughes, telephone operator at the Softening plant. She was married Labor Day and her husband, appropriately enough, is employed by the Associated Telephone Company in Pomona.



Pictured above are District office employees who answered the Red Cross appeal this month for blood donors. Left to right are Nick Bosworth, Munson Dowd, Warren Spacy, George Finley, Ray Kirkby, Marge Megica, Bob Armstrong, Les Martin, Anita Trudeau, Maynard Anderson, Ray Moats, Chester Olson, Miriam Taylor and Louis Chazaro.

Dr. Carl L. Kane has returned to Gene, where he takes the place of Dr. Ralph S. Russell who resigned to re-enter private practice. Dr. Kane was formerly with the District at Gene from 1946 to 1948.

Joe G. Brown formerly in the Operations and Maintenance Division sends word that "Old Aqueducters Never Die — They Just Go Gold Mining." Joe has his own mine near Sacramento. Any samples he cares to send along will be gratefully accepted.

Tom Cain, Division Foreman, San Jacinto Reservoir, bagged a 98 pound buck on the first day of hunting in the vicinity of Idyllwild. Last year he also got his buck on the first day out.

Eloise Lefebvre, Secretary, expects very soon to have two glassy eyes staring at her from the living room wall. Her husband returned from a hunting trip recently and is having the head of a fine buck mounted. The rest of the deer is safely put away in the deep freeze next to the wild boar meat that remains from a previous hunting trip.

Wedding bells will ring soon for Aileen Badger, Secretary in the Legal department. She will marry Robert E. Ziegler December 22 and they are planning a honeymoon in Chihuahua, Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Russell proudly announce the arrival September 21 of a granddaughter, Margaret Josephine Hill. Ed Russell is Assistant Superintendent at Gene.



Meal time at Gene Camp is always welcome. Above on the left is Joe Reider. On the right, Dr. Ralph Russell, Ed Russell and Verne Smith. The photographer was unable to identify the other members in the Hamburger derby.